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TAGS: MBFR, MARR, GW, UR

SUBJECT: MBFR: REACTION IN BONN TO THE SOVIET "INITIAL  
REDUCTION" PROPOSAL

FRG FONOFF MBFR DEPUTY DIRECTOR RUTH STATED ON OCT 21  
THAT HE FULLY AGREED WITH THE ANALYSIS MADE BY THE AD  
HOC GROUP REGARDING THE SOVIET "INITIAL REDUCTION"  
PROPOSAL. HE BELIEVES IT WOULD BE WISE TO TRY TO BUILD  
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ON THOSE TWO ELEMENTS OF THE PROPOSAL WHICH ARE

CONSIDERED POSITIVE, I.E., SOVIET-AMERICAN REDUCTIONS  
AND THE POSSIBILITY OF SEPARATE REDUCTION AGREEMENTS.  
RUTH SAID THE PROPOSAL REALLY CONTAINS NOTHING NEW  
EXCEPT THAT EASTERN THINKING HAS BEEN SPELLED OUT IN  
GREATER DETAIL. IN PARTICULAR, THE EASTERN SIDE HAS  
NOW SPECIFICALLY INDICATED IT WANTS SUBCEILINGS, A  
SUBJECT WHICH IS ALWAYS ANATHEMA TO BONN. MOREOVER,  
THE "INITIAL REDUCTION" PROPOSAL CONTAINS ALL OF THE  
NEGATIVE ELEMENTS OF THE EAST'S NOVEMBER 8 PROPOSAL.  
RUTH ALSO REFERRED CRYPTICALLY TO THE RELATIONSHIP  
BETWEEN THE "INITIAL REDUCTION" PROPOSAL AND  
WASHINGTON'S "SCALE-BACK" PROPOSAL.  
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